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SUBJ: OPERATION KING GRAIN: MAIDUGURI AIRPORT FACILITIES

1. AIRPORT AUTHORITIES MAIDUGURI SEPT 20 INFORMED KING GRAIN PERSONNEL THAT KING GRAIN AIRCRAFT SHOULD IN FUTURE ARRIVE MAIDUGURI NO EARLIER THAN 0730 HOURS LOCAL. TO DATE, KING GRAIN AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN ARRIVING AT 0700, NOMINAL OPENING OF AIRPORT, AND KING GRAIN COMMANDER HAD BEEN PREPARING REQUEST PERMISSION FOR 0630 LANDINGS.

2. KING GRAIN AIRCRAFT CURRENTLY OPERATING FROM MAIDUGURI TO ZOUAR AND FAYA LARGEAU IN BET PROVINCE OF NORTHERN CHAD. EACH AIRCRAFT REQUIRED TO MAKE TWO SORTIES DAILY IF DELIVERY SCHEDULE TO BE MET AND REASONABLE EFFICIENCY TO BE OBTAINED. MAIDUGURI INOPERABLE AT NIGHT, THUS LIMITING OPERATIONS TO DAY-LIGHT HOURS. NEW 0730 AIRPORT OPENING WILL ABSOLUTELY PRECLUDE TWO SORTIES DAILY TO ZOUAR AND ENDANGER POSSIBILITY TWO SORTIES FAYA. EVEN WITH PREVIOUS 0700 OPENING TWO SORTIES DAILY ZOUAR DIFFICULT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INTERCESSION WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NIGERIAN AUTHORITIES WITH VIEW TO OBTAINING PERMISSION 0630

HOUR LANDINGS BY KING GRAIN AIRCRAFT. POINT MIGHT BE MADE THAT
CURTAILMENT SORTIES WILL LENGTHEN DURATION OPERATION BY AS MUCH
AS TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT, THUS INCREASING COSTS NOT ONLY TO USG
BUT TO GON AS WELL IN TERMS AIRPORT SUPPORT PROVIDED OPERATIONS.
AFTER COMMITMENT MET DELIVER 1,000 TONS TO BET AND MORE SOUTHERLY
AIRFIELDS BECOME OPERABLE WITH TERMINATION RAINS, SOMEWHAT
LATER OPENING WOULD PRESENT LESS OF PROBLEM. PLEASE ADVISE
RESPONSE AND NAME/POSITION OFFICIAL IN MAIDUGURI TO WHOM LAGOS
AUTHORITIES HAVE SENT INSTRUCTIONS.
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